

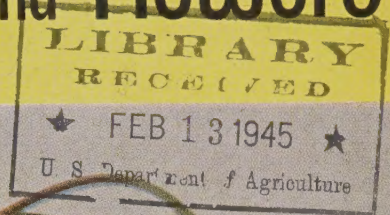
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Willis Better fruits and flowers

1945



You Can Grow
STRAWBERRIES
Like These

SPECIAL
No. 1

50 Gem, Everbearing
100 Senator Dunlap,
Junebearing

150 Plants, Postpaid \$3²⁹

WILLIS NURSERIES • OTTAWA, KANS.

KANSAS' LARGEST NURSERY



Coco

GRAPES

The easiest of all fruits to grow. Require little attention; often begin bearing second year.

CACO. The best red Grape. Big reddish amber berries borne in large bunches. Sweet and juicy with a pleasing flavor. The vines are very hardy, easy to grow and bear young, often producing a good crop the second year.

CONCORD. The most widely grown Grape in America. Concord is perfectly hardy, very productive and adaptable to most soils. Berries large, bluish black color, sweet and juicy; fine quality and flavor.

Concord
GRAPE ARBOR
Special No. 2
America's Most Popular Grape
7 for \$1.49
Postpaid
1-Year, No. 1 Vines



Fredonia

FREDONIA. This is a new early black Grape, originated by the New York Experiment Station. It probably contains more sugar than any other Grape. The bunches and berries are large and the flavor is excellent. Bears the second year and ripens 15 days ahead of Concord. This Grape is destined to become one of the most important in the United States. Be sure to include a few in your order.

MOORE'S EARLY. A large, black, high quality Grape, ripening a week earlier than Concord.

NIAGARA. Large, greenish white, changing to pale yellow when fully ripe; quality good.

	GRAPES				
	Postpaid				
	Each	4	12	25	100
Concord, 1 year	\$.025	\$0.89	\$2.25	\$4.19	\$15.00
Concord, 2 year	.30	1.10	2.98	5.49	19.95
Caco, 1 year	.40	1.49	4.10	7.75	.....
Caco, 2 year	.50	1.89	5.25	10.25	.....
Other varieties, 1 yr.	.35	1.28	3.49	6.49	.....
Other varieties, 2 yr.	.40	1.49	4.10	7.75	.....

VAN FLEET Red Raspberry

For The
SOUTH



Until recently, Red Raspberries could not be grown satisfactorily in the southern states. The United States Department of Agriculture tackled this problem, and the **Van Fleet** Red Raspberry is the result of their research. Read the official description: "This new variety has a much larger bush than any other cultivated Raspberry. It is free from anthracnose and is very resistant to the common leaf spot. Its fruit does not decay as quickly as that of other varieties. It produces many large clusters up to 200 or more fruits each. It ripens after the season of other Red Raspberries is past and continues in season for about 5 weeks. Its seeds are much smaller than those of other sorts, and it is adapted to the South where no other Raspberry succeeds. This variety has been widely tested in the Southern states and is apparently adapted to that part of the United States from Maryland, south to Northern Florida and west to Southern Missouri and Eastern Texas."

If you live in the Southern half of the country and have yearned for the delicious flavor of Red Raspberries, you can now satisfy that longing. Order at least a dozen plants today. The supply is limited.
5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$1.69; 25 for \$3.79; 100 for \$12.95, postpaid.

Kansas Customers Please Include 2% Sales Tax in Your Remittance.



Mr. Davis of Oklahoma and one of his Van Fleet raspberry bushes. Mr. Davis is over 6 feet tall.



Willis APPLES

Give You Vitamins A B₁ C and G

PLANT APPLES FOR FRESH FRUIT ALL YEAR

SUMMER APPLES

EARLY RED BIRD. The earliest Apple of all. Ripens when everyone is hankering for fresh Apple sauce or pie. A large beautiful bright red Apple that you can use either for cooking or eating out of hand.

NEW LODI. One of the most promising of the newer Apples. Often bears at 2 or 3 years. Resembles Yellow Transparent, but larger, ripens a little later, and the trees are more vigorous and bear annually. Clear yellow, blushed red; crisp, tender, juicy, good flavor. Desirable for home use and a profitable commercial variety.

EARLY HARVEST. One of the earliest summer Apples and good for both cooking and dessert. Fruit clear yellow, blushed red. Especially desirable for home orchards.

YELLOW TRANSPARENT. Large clear golden yellow. Excellent for cooking. One of the most valuable early Apples. Ripens in July.

Fresh Fruit Prices are the Highest in 25 Years—
Grow Your Own at Small Cost



Dark Red Delicious



New Lodi

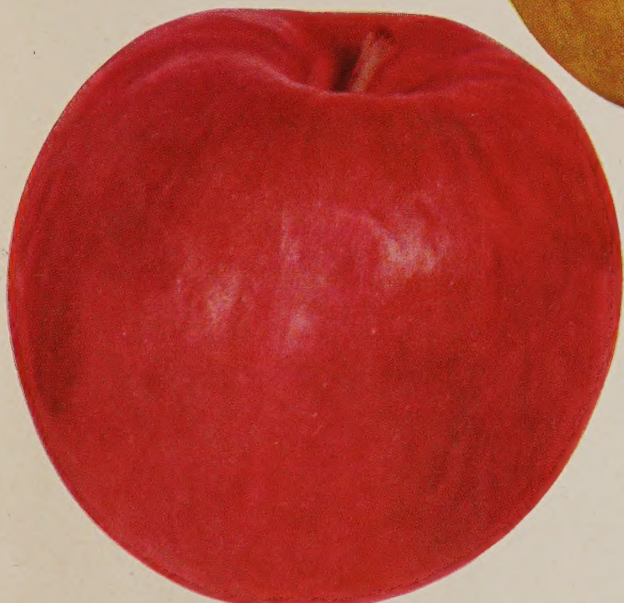
FALL APPLES

WEALTHY. Best fall Apple. Trees often bear second or third year. Large beautiful splashy red fruit with crisp, tender, juicy flesh of high quality. Splendid for dessert or cooking. Ripens in September.

WINTER APPLES

DARK RED DELICIOUS. An improvement over the original Delicious. Large, dark red, fine grained, juicy, mild.

GRIMES GOLDEN. Bright golden yellow with pink cheek. A beautiful Apple of the highest dessert quality. November to January.



Dark Red Jonathan

DARK RED JONATHAN. Recognized on all markets of the country as one of the best among the high quality eating Apples. Beautiful, dark red; rich spicy flavor. Should be in every orchard.

RED McINTOSH. Deep all-over red with crisp snow-white flesh, and an appetite-whetting flavor. Hardy, productive and long lived.

RED STAYMAN. A large deep red, high quality Apple. Especially good for late winter use.

WINESAP. Medium size, dark red, juicy, mild. A favorite late winter Apple and a leading commercial variety on all markets, as well as a very popular home Apple in the Southwest.

YELLOW DELICIOUS. In size, shape and quality resembles the famous Delicious Apple, but colored a rich solid golden yellow.

CRAB APPLES

WHITNEY. Fruit large, yellow striped with red; flavor rich and sweet. A fine dessert Apple. Ripens in August.

DOLGO. Covered with pink blossoms in the spring, followed by large clusters of beautiful bright red fruit that is fine for jelly or cider. Excellent flavor. Often starts to bear the second year.

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APPLE PRICES

	Two-Year-Old Trees			
	Each	3	6	12
3-5 ft., postpaid	\$0.75	\$2.10	\$3.89	\$7.45
4-6 ft., not ppd.	.85	2.39	4.55	8.75
5-7 ft., not ppd.	1.00	2.85	5.45	10.45

Willis

FARM ORCHARD

SPECIAL No. 3

We have selected for you eight of the highest quality, most dependable Apple varieties to give you fruit from early summer until late winter.

2 Lodi 1 Grimes Golden
2 Red Jonathan 1 Red Stayman
2 Dark Red Delicious 1 Dolgo
1 Yellow Transparent

ALL 10

3 to 5 ft.	Post-paid	\$6.39
5 to 7 ft.	Not Postpaid	\$8.85



Montmorency

DELICIOUS *Willis* CHERRIES

Cherries are the easiest tree-fruit to grow. They thrive in almost any well-drained soil. The fruit is delicious eaten out of hand, in pies and sauces or preserved. Beautiful in bloom and ornamental on the lawn. No home garden is complete without a few Cherry trees.

PRICES ON EARLY RICHMOND and MONTMORENCY				
	Each	3	6	12
3 to 4 ft., postpaid	\$1.19	\$3.40	\$6.60	\$12.85
4 to 5 ft., not postpaid	1.59	4.60	9.00	17.65

PIE CHERRIES

LARGE MONTMORENCY. (Gilbert Strain.) The best of all pie Cherries. Home and commercial canners prefer it to all others. No matter how unfavorable the season may be, Montmorency can be depended upon for a crop. The bright, clear red fruit is good sized and fine flavored. Ripens 10 days after Early Richmond. The Gilbert strain, which we are offering, was selected after many years of observation in commercial orchards. It has never failed to produce a crop.

EARLY RICHMOND. The good old variety that yields such marvelous crops and is unsurpassed for cooking. The most hardy of all varieties, uninjured by the coldest winters. Ripens through June and gives you the first pies of the season.

COMPASS CHERRY-PLUM. A cross between the Sand Cherry of the Plains and the native wild Plum, it will grow and thrive where extreme cold and semi-arid conditions prevail. Usually bears the second year from graft and often nursery trees are loaded down. The quality is much better than that of the Sand Cherry, having lost much of the astringency of this parent in hybridization. Every home, especially on the Great Plains, should have some of these trees.

	Each	3	6	12
3-5 ft., postpaid	\$1.19	\$3.40	\$6.60	\$12.85
4-6 ft., not postpaid	1.49	4.30	8.40	15.95

New

KOREAN CHERRY

Korean Cherry is so new that it has been offered by only a few nurserymen. You will be pleased with it not only because it is an attractive ornamental shrub but because it bears generous quantities of fruit that you can eat. Very bushy habit and usually grows only 3 to 4 feet high. In spring it produces a mass of single white flowers and the fruit ripens in midsummer. The Cherries are about one-half to five eighths inch diameter and a light red color or red over yellow. Good for pies, sauces and preserves. Usually starts bearing when only two years old. 2-3 ft., heavy, postpaid, each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 6 for \$5.49.



Kansas Sweet Cherry

We take great pride in having introduced this wonderful Sweet Cherry to the public. Originated in Kansas by the late H. J. Hansen of Wichita, for many years a successful fruit grower and nurseryman. It is the only Sweet Cherry that can be depended upon to produce a crop in the middle west and southwest. The fruit is deep red, similar in shape to Montmorency but much larger, flesh is firm and sweet. Ripens in June, ahead of Montmorency.

	Each	3	6
3-4 ft., postpaid	\$1.39	\$4.00	\$7.80
4-5 ft., not postpaid	1.85	5.40	10.50

HANSEN BUSH CHERRY. A remarkable shrub that combines beauty with fruit production. Imagine going out to your shrub border and picking fruit from it for sauce, jam, jelly and preserves. That's exactly what you can do if you plant a few Hansen Bush-Cherry. It grows into a handsome bushy ornamental shrub 3 or 4 feet high with attractive glossy foliage. Usually starts bearing the second year. The fruit is about one-half inch to three-fourths inch across and dark red, almost black.

	Each	3	6	12
1½-2 ft., postpaid	\$0.35	\$1.00	\$1.85	\$3.35
2-3 ft., postpaid	.59	1.65	2.98	5.75

WILLIS Cherry Orchard

SPECIAL No. 4

- 1 Kansas Sweet. 3-4 ft.
- 1 Large Montmorency. 3-4 ft.
- 1 Early Richmond. 3-4 ft.
- 1 Compass Cherry-Plum. 3-5 ft.
- 1 New Korean Cherry. 2-3 ft.
- 1 Hansen Bush Cherry. 1½-2 ft.

6 CHERRIES for

\$6.19

Postpaid

PLUMS

GOLD. A Burbank creation and one of his favorites. Fruit a beautiful transparent golden yellow. Does well on dry and poor soils.

HANSKA. The fruit is splendid for eating out of hand, and when cooked retains the delicious apricot flavor. Bright red, with a heavy blue bloom; good quality and very fragrant. It begins to bear the second year; ripens in August.

ABUNDANCE. Comes into bearing quite young and yields abundantly. Medium size, bright cherry-red with distinct bloom and highly perfumed, juicy and tender, excellent quality.

BURBANK. One of the grand points about the Burbank is that it succeeds over a wide range of our country, and will stand the most severe winters. Fruit large, oval, with reddish purple skin; juicy and good.

OPATA. The fruit is 1 inch or more in diameter; small pit. It is a dark purplish red, with blue bloom; flavor pleasant, mild and sweet. Ripens in July in Kansas.

WANETA. The fruit of Waneta often is as much as 2 inches in diameter, bright red in color, of delicious quality; a long keeper and splendid shipper.

SAPA. Fruit has a glossy, dark purple, thin skin and rich dark purplish red flesh. Excellent for eating out of hand, and makes the most delicious, sweet, deep wine-colored sauce.

STANLEY

The best of the new Plums. Large, dark blue, freestone fruit with sweet, juicy, tender, yellow flesh. High quality and excellent for cooking or eating out of hand. Comes into bearing very young and bears annually. 3 to 5 ft., each \$1.25, postpaid. Supply limited.



PLUM PRICES (Excepting Stanley) Each	3	6
3 to 5 ft., postpaid	\$1.19	\$3.40
4 to 6 ft., not postpaid	1.49	4.30
		8.40

NECTARINES THE FUZZLESS PEACH

The fruit of the Nectarine is firmer, more fragrant and richer in flavor than that of the Peach.

	Each	2
3 to 5 ft., postpaid	\$1.29	\$2.45
4 to 6 ft., not postpaid	1.59	2.98

NEW Seedless Pear

A remarkable new fruit that is said to be seedless and coreless. This quality alone makes it ideal for canning. Resembles Bartlett but ripens 10 days later. Trees often bear when 2 years old. Blight resistant.

2-3 ft., postpaid, 98c each; 2 for \$1.89. 3-5 ft., postpaid, \$1.49 each; 2 for \$2.75.



APRICOTS

EARLY GOLDEN. Flesh yellow, moderately juicy and sweet with very good flavor. Freestone. Ripens early.

SUPERB. Without question one of the best Apricots now being offered. It is perfectly hardy, and in productiveness has no superior. Long ripening season, covering a period of 3 weeks.

APRICOT PRICES

3-5 ft., postpaid, \$1.29 each; 3 for \$3.69; 6 for \$7.20. 4-6 ft., not postpaid, \$1.59 each; 3 for \$4.60; 6 for \$9.00.



Willis PEARS

BARTLETT. Large, yellow with red blush; juicy, melting, highly flavored; a most delicious fruit; tree bears early and abundantly. September.

DOUGLAS. Often bears the next year after planting. Young trees frequently fruit so heavily they are bent over to the ground by the weight of the Pears. Blight resistant and superior to Kieffer in quality. For a sure crop of Pears, plant Douglas.

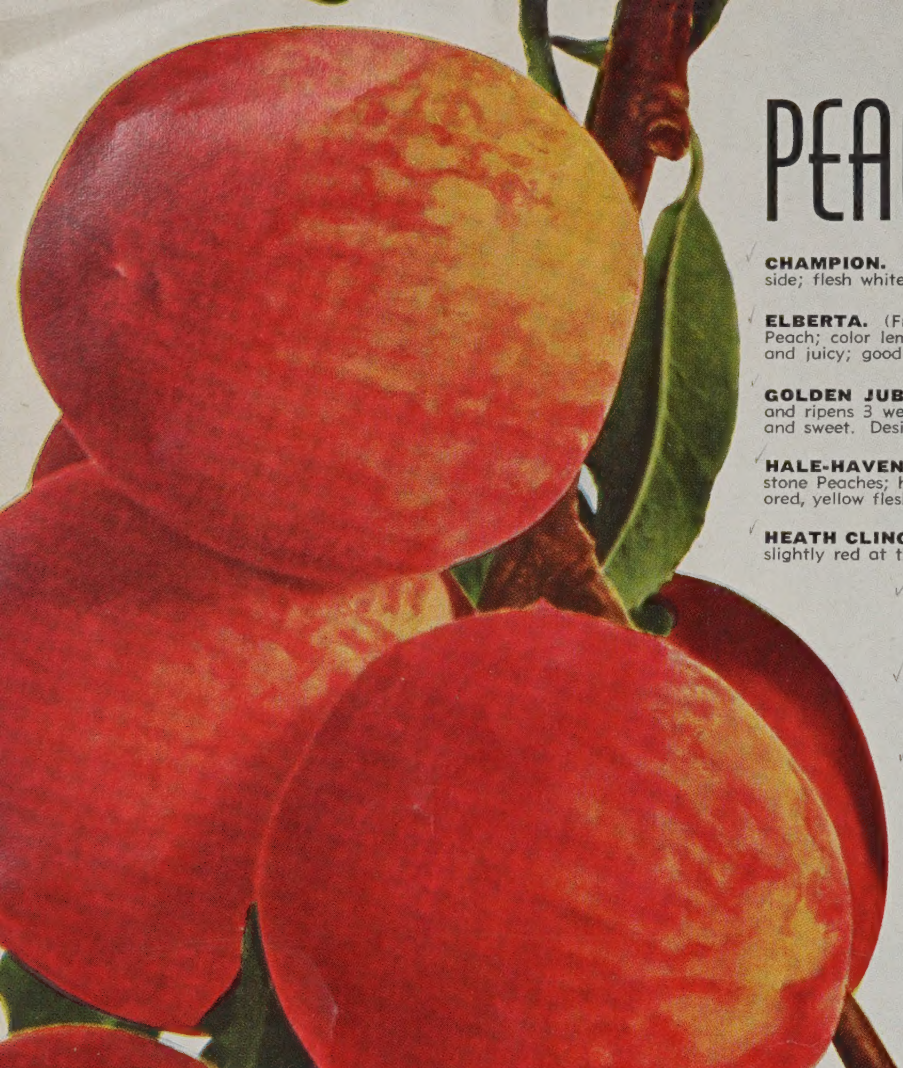
DUCHESS. Fruit very large, greenish yellow, sometimes russeted; buttery, melting and sweet. A dependable cropper and good market sort. Ripens early fall.

KIEFFER. Large, rich golden yellow, sometimes tinted red on the sun-exposed side. Very prolific and widely planted throughout the country. October and November.

SECKEL. (Sugar Pear.) Rather small but one of the richest and highest flavored Pears known; always in demand for desserts and luncheons, and better known than any Pear of its class. September and October.

PEAR PRICES (Excepting Seedless Pear)

	Each	3	6
3 to 5 ft., postpaid	\$1.19	\$3.40	\$6.60
4 to 6 ft., not postpaid	1.49	4.30	8.40



PEACHES *Sweet, Juicy and Flavorful*

✓ **CHAMPION.** (Freestone.) Large, round, creamy white mottled red on sunny side; flesh white with red at the pit; one of the very best quality. Very early.

✓ **ELBERTA.** (Freestone.) Believed by many growers to be the best all-around Peach; color lemon-yellow with blush on sunny side; flesh pale yellow, tender and juicy; good shipper. Ripens middle of August.

✓ **GOLDEN JUBILEE.** (Freestone.) Resembles Elberta but better in quality and ripens 3 weeks earlier. Yellow, blushed with red; flesh yellow, juicy, firm and sweet. Desirable for home and local markets.

✓ **HALE-HAVEN.** (Freestone.) Undoubtedly one of the best new yellow freestone Peaches; highly recommended for the Southwest. Fruit large, highly colored, yellow flesh. Ripens about 2 weeks before Elberta. Excellent for shipping.

✓ **HEATH CLING.** Very large, creamy white with delicate red blush; flesh white, slightly red at the pit; tender, juicy and sweet. Late September.

✓ **J. H. HALE.** (Freestone.) Very large, color deep golden yellow overlaid with bright carmine. Flesh solid, deep yellow, delicious flavor. An exceptionally fine variety. Ripens a few days before Elberta.

✓ **POLLY.** (Freestone.) Large blush-red Peach with white flesh; firm, juicy and richly flavored. Recommended for home consumption and local market. Has withstood temperatures of 20 degrees below zero.

✓ **VEDETTE.** (Freestone.) A new variety from Canada and one of the first to ripen. Large, golden yellow, good quality and especially desirable for canning. Trees hardy, productive and bear young.

✓ **NEW REDHAVEN.** (Freestone.) You can't beat Redhaven for an extra early yellow flesh Peach. Colors up solid-red long before ripe. Fruit large, fine texture, sweet, good quality. Ripens 3 weeks before Elberta. Bears heavily.

PEACH PRICES

	Each	3	6	12
3-5 ft., postpaid	\$0.90	\$2.55	\$4.85	\$9.35
4-6 ft., not ppd.	1.10	3.15	6.00	11.75

Redhaven Peach

ASPARAGUS

PARADISE. Sensational new early-maturing variety. Produces normal crop **one year earlier** than other varieties and produces heavier throughout its life. Large, crisp, tender stalks with exceptionally fine, mild flavor. Only 6 or 8 stalks required to the pound. A new, better variety that will take the country by storm. Excellent for home gardens, commercial growers and shippers.

WASHINGTON RUST-PROOF. The original rust-proof variety and a standard of excellence. Easy to grow and produces big crops for many years.

POSTPAID PRICES ON ASPARAGUS

	10	25	50	100
Paradise, 2 year	\$0.75	\$1.45	\$2.75	\$5.25
Paradise, 1 year	.60	1.15	2.15	4.00
Washington, 2 year	.65	1.25	2.25	4.25
Washington, 1 year	.50	.98	1.85	3.50

HORSERADISH

Easy to grow. Have your own fresh Horseradish to bring out the delicious flavor of beef, pork or oysters. Plants are useable at end of first growing season. Set out at least a dozen. **12 for 59c; 25 for 98c, postpaid.**

SAGE

Spicy leaves that are indispensable for seasoning sausage and poultry "stuffing." **Field-grown plants, each 35c; 3 for \$1.00, post-paid.**

RHUBARB

The first spring vegetable and always welcome. Not particular as to soil and will live for many years after once established.

GIANT VICTORIA. A standard variety that you can always depend upon to provide you with delicious sauce and pies early in the spring. Large stalks, tender and crisp. **3 for 49c; 6 for 95c; 12 for \$1.79; 25 for \$3.19, postpaid.**

RUBY RED. This new variety is solid red inside and out all the way up and down the stem. Cooks up into a beautiful, highly flavored sauce; also excellent for pies. **Each 60c; 3 for \$1.69; 10 for \$5.50, postpaid.**

Kitchen Garden

Special No. 5

Think how handy it will be to have these "indispensables" growing right at your kitchen door.

12 Paradise Asparagus	31 plants	\$2.39 Post-paid
6 Victoria Rhubarb	for	
1 Garden Sage		
12 Horseradish		





Cumberland
Raspberries

Willis BERRY PLANTS

Don't you often find it hard to buy Raspberries, Blackberries, Boysenberries and other berries on the market? And they always cost so much either fresh or canned. Why not grow what you need right in your own back yard, and maybe some to sell? They are easy to grow; require comparatively little care, produce large yields on a small area, and best of all, bear very young. You can begin picking your own fruit the second summer after planting.



Boysenberry

Superior RASPBERRIES

CUMBERLAND. (Black.) The most popular of all black Raspberries. Healthy, vigorous grower, throwing up stout, well-branched canes that produce immense crops of magnificent berries. Fruit very large, firm, juicy, sweet, rich and good quality. The most profitable market variety. Midseason. 5 for 85c; 10 for \$1.49; 25 for \$3.25; 100 for \$11.49, postpaid.

NEW WASHINGTON EVERBEARING. (Red.) A wonderful new red Raspberry that was developed especially for its hardiness, productivity and high quality. Besides it comes as near being an everbearer as any on the market. The sweet, delicately flavored berries are in large clusters and easily picked. 5 for 79c; 10 for \$1.39; 25 for \$3.19; 100 for \$10.95, postpaid.

SUNRISE. (Red.) NEW, EXTRA EARLY, EXTRA QUALITY. Here is the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture's description: "The color is bright red but turns dark on ripening. The berries pick easily. They are firm, fine textured, juicy, non-crumblly, mild sub-acid in flavor, with good Raspberry aroma, and better in quality than Latham." Ripens 10 days to 2 weeks earlier than Latham and has a very long picking season. You can't go wrong with Sunrise. Be sure to plant some this year. 5 for 98c; 10 for \$1.69; 25 for \$3.79; 100 for \$12.95, postpaid.

VAN FLEET RED RASPBERRY. See page 2 for description, illustration and prices.

BOYSENBERRY

Imagine berries 1 1/2 to 2 inches long, so large that 20 make a pint, and are so productive that 100 plants produce 50 gallons of fruit the second summer! That is the record of Boysenberry. The beautiful wine-red fruit combines the delicious flavors of Loganberry, Blackberry and Raspberry, of which it is a cross. No new fruit in many years has caused such a sensation as Boysenberry. Resistant to heat and drought. 3 for 59c; 10 for \$1.59; 25 for \$3.50; 50 for \$6.50, postpaid.

(See back cover for Thornless Boysenberries.)

YOUNGBERRIES

The Youngberry is remarkable for its dessert and culinary qualities, vigorous growth and disease resistance. The fruit is large, deep wine color, juicy, sweet and rich. Adapted to wide variety of soils and easy to grow. 10 for 98c; 25 for \$2.25; 50 for \$4.25; 100 for \$7.95, postpaid.



Youngberries



Washington
Raspberries



Early Harvest Blackberries

BLACKBERRIES

EARLY HARVEST. One of the earliest Blackberries to ripen its crop. This means that the fruit matures before the hot dry weather which often strikes the middle west in early summer and this characteristic alone makes it very valuable. There is almost never a crop failure of Early Harvest Blackberries. The plants are strong, vigorous growers and very productive. Berries are medium size, conical, glossy black; flesh tender and sweet, good quality.

ELDORADO. An old variety but still one of the best. The plants are very hardy so can be grown far north. The fruit is handsome and of exceptionally high quality. Plants are vigorous and very productive. Early midseason.

PRICES ON EARLY HARVEST AND ELDORADO BLACKBERRIES

10 for	.....	\$0.98
25 for	.....	2.25
50 for	.....	4.25
100 for	.....	7.95
Postpaid		

DEWBERRIES

LUCRETIA. Perfectly hardy and remarkably productive. Fruit is black, sweet and larger than a Blackberry; ripens early. Often one and one-half inches long by one inch in diameter. Will thrive on poor soil. 10 for 98c; 25 for \$2.25; 50 for \$4.25; 100 for \$7.95, postpaid.

CURRANTS

CHERRY. One of the largest of all red Currants. Berries sometimes more than one-half inch in diameter; bunches short; plant very vigorous and productive when grown on good soil and well cultivated.

WILDER. Very large, bright red and attractive; a splendid sort, not so acid as most. Bush very productive, large bunches. Ripens rather early, fruit keeps well.

NEW RED LAKE. (See back cover for picture, description, and price.)

Currants will be shipped only to the states of Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas.

Backyard BERRY PATCH

SPECIAL No. 6

- 6 Boysenberries
- 12 Early Harvest Blackberries
- 12 Cumberland Black Raspberries
- 12 Washington Red Raspberries
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- 42 Plants for \$5.50, Postpaid



CURRENT PRICES

Each \$0.49
5 for 2.19
Postpaid



Fresh STRAWBERRIES

FROM YOUR OWN GARDEN

Doesn't the thought of fragrant, rich, red, sweet and juicy Strawberries like those in the picture, make your mouth water? It's hard to imagine anything more luscious, yet so many times it is difficult or impossible to get good fresh Strawberries on the market. Nearly every garden has room for a Strawberry bed. Those who have a little extra ground can make good profits selling Strawberries to their neighbors or on the local market.

Out of the confusingly large number of varieties on the market, we have selected two of the most outstanding and reliable to offer you. Both are self-pollenizing so can be planted alone.

GEM. (Everbearing.) The leading Everbearing Strawberry. Plant Gem this spring and in 90 days you can be picking your own Strawberries. Gem will continue to set and ripen fruit all summer and fall, until frost kills the blossoms. Next year they will begin bearing early and continue all season. Gem produces an abundance of runners that will bear fruit the first season. The berries are large, round, firm, with good flavor. **Postpaid prices:** 100 for \$3.65; 25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.89; 200 for \$7.19; 500 for \$16.50; 1000 for \$30.00.

SENATOR DUNLAP. (June-bearing.) Few fruits have stood the test of time like Senator Dunlap Strawberries. Many, many new varieties have come and gone since Senator Dunlap was first introduced more than 50 years ago but none of them has been able to displace it. The fruits are large, handsome, high quality, hardy and productive, everything that you could desire in a Strawberry. **Postpaid prices:** 100 for \$1.79; 25 for 50c; 50 for 95c; 200 for \$3.39; 500 for \$7.35; 1000 for \$14.00.



Mrs. Pierre S. DuPont



Betty Uprichard



Briarcliff



K. A. Victoria



Etoile de Hollande

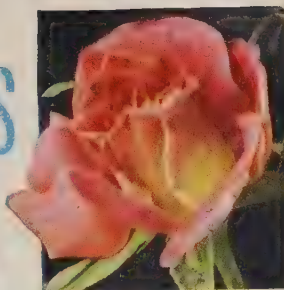
ROSES - Queen of Flowers



Chas. K. Douglas



Dame Edith Helen



Talisman



Red Radiance



Edith Nellie Perkins



E. G. Hill

For your gardening joy we have selected and offer here some of the very best varieties of Roses grown today. Order freely and enjoy them fully.

Each 85c; Any 3 for \$2.39; Any 6 for \$4.65;
Any 12 for \$8.95; Any 25 for \$17.50
ALL POSTPAID

HYBRID TEA ROSES

AMI QUINARD. Rich velvety crimson, semi-double; blooms in abundance. Fragrant.

BETTY UPRICHARD. Two-tone. Soft pink inside, deep coppery-orange outside; fragrant.

BRIARCLIFF. Deep pink inside, lighter on outside. Large, fragrant, long-lasting.

CALEDONIA. Pure white, large, very double, long-lasting; good for cutting.

CHARLES K. DOUGLAS. Striking crimson-scarlet, long pointed buds; strong grower, healthy foliage.

CYNTHIA. Large double bright scarlet-toned gold at base; long lasting.

DAME EDITH HELEN. Glowing pink, high-centered, long stems. Very double, intensely fragrant.

EDITH NELLIE PERKINS. Two-tone. Delicate salmon-pink inside, deeper pink, shaded gold outside.

EDITOR MCFARLAND. Brilliant pink, shapely buds, long lasting, vigorous; good cut flower.

E. G. HILL. Deep fadeless scarlet, large, fragrant, vigorous grower, profuse bloomer.

ETOILE DE HOLLANDE. Large, fragrant, deep velvety-red blooms freely produced. Very popular.

FRANCIS SCOTT KEY. Rich crimson; extremely large, very double; blooms abundantly.

GOLDEN OPHELIA. Golden yellow heart shading lighter toward edges of flower, delicately perfumed.

GRENOBLE. Scarlet-crimson, beautifully shaped flowers on long stems.

KAISERIN AUGUSTE VIKTORIA. Soft white slightly tinged lemon-yellow; exquisitely formed flowers.

LADY HILLINGDON. Pointed buds of deep orange-yellow; free-blooming, hardy, fragrant.

LUXEMBOURG. Pointed buds and flowers of copper-yellow; good stems for cutting.

MRS. PIERRE S. DUPONT. Deep golden yellow, heavy spicy fragrance; blooms freely.

PRES. HERBERT HOOVER. Two-tone. Bright yellow shaded to cerise-pink and flame-scarlet.

MRS. CHARLES BELL. Shell-pink sport of Radiance; sweetly fragrant, strong grower, free bloomer.

RADIANCE. Cameo-pink. Large, fragrant, prolific. Blooms profusely all season.

RED RADIANCE. Fine rich red; blooms constantly and abundantly. Easy to grow.

SUNBURST. Rich yellow, suffused orange at center; fragrant and well shaped.

TALISMAN. Two-tone. Shading from deep yellow to bright apricot-red; free blooming.

CLIMBING ROSES

AMERICAN BEAUTY CLIMBER. Brilliant carmine, fine form, rich perfume; borne in clusters.

DR. W. VAN FLEET. Delicate shade of pink; flowers equal in form to finest Tea Rose.

PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER. Intense scarlet flowers, excellent shape; brilliant display for several weeks.



Ami Quinard



Sunburst



Colorful FLOWERING TREES

**TO BRIGHTEN
UP YOUR LAWN**

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HOPA CRAB

Here is the finest ornamental Crab that has ever been put on the market. It is something really spectacular. In the spring it is a mass of brilliant, deep pink fragrant flowers, often so dense that you can't see the branches at all. These are followed by showy fruits about three-fourths inch diameter that are red all the way through. They make good jelly, too. The young foliage on the growing tips of the branches has a reddish color and even the inner bark is red.

No flowering Crab grows more rapidly than Hopa, so you don't have to wait very long to get a wonderful display from it. The foliage is remarkably free from the unsightly diseases that so often attack flowering Crabs. **4 to 5 ft., each \$1.00; 2 for \$1.75.**

PURPLE FRINGE (Smoke Tree)

Early in the summer this remarkable tree-shrub is completely covered with a cloud of light purple flowers that give the impression of smoke arising from it. The attractive foliage colors in the fall. Hardy and easy to grow. Reaches a height of 10 to 15 feet.

	Each	2
2 to 3 ft.	\$1.00	\$1.75
3 to 4 ft.	1.50	2.75

Purple Fringe



Redbud

REDBUD

The profusion of delicate reddish pink blossoms with which it is covered in early spring, before the foliage appears, make it one of the finest ornamental trees. Has large glossy-green heart-shaped leaves that make the tree attractive even when not in bloom. Grows 15 to 20 feet high. **3 to 4 ft., each 89c; 2 for \$1.65. 4 to 5 ft., each \$1.19; 2 for \$2.25.**

BECHTEL'S CRAB

The individual flowers of this beautiful Crab are like small double Roses. They appear early in the spring just as the leaves are coming out. The tree itself is compact and symmetrical, and makes a lovely lawn specimen. **3 to 4 ft., each \$1.00; 2 for \$1.75.**



Bechtel's Crab

Choice SHADE TREES

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AMERICAN ELM. A magnificent tree growing 80 to 100 feet high with arching, spreading branches; one of the grandest of our native trees; makes a beautiful lawn or street tree. **6 to 8 ft., each \$1.25; 4 for \$4.79.**

CHINESE ELM. This comparatively new tree has proven immensely popular because of its beauty and rapid growth. Many hundreds of thousands have been planted in the middle west in recent years. Especially recommended in semi-arid regions. **6 to 8 ft., each 98c; 4 for \$3.19.**

LOMBARDY POPLAR. This is the exclamation mark among trees. Its towering spire has an individuality all its own. Admirable for tall screens and backgrounds. **6 to 8 ft., each 75c; 4 for \$2.85.**

PIN OAK. Tall, straight, majestic tree, growing in pyramidal form. Attractive, deeply cut foliage that turns red in autumn. An aristocratic tree. **5 to 6 ft., each \$1.98; 4 for \$7.50.**

WEeping WILLOW. Gracefully drooping branches. Grows rapidly and is admired by all. **6 to 8 ft., each \$1.49; 4 for \$5.45.**

Willis Hardy Climbing VINES



Bittersweet

SPIREA Van Houttei (Bridal Wreath)

Known and loved by everyone. The most popular of all Spireas, and is more widely planted than any other shrub. Its graceful arching branches are heaped with white blossoms in the spring. Thrives under the most trying conditions.

Each	3	6	12
12-18 in., postpaid ..	\$0.29	\$0.79	\$1.50
18-24 in., postpaid ..	.35	1.00	1.85
2- 3 ft., postpaid ..	.45	1.29	2.40
3- 4 ft., not ppd. ....	.60	1.69	3.25
			6.00

Spirea
Van Houttei

BITTERSWEET. The kind that is sure to fruit because we propagated it from bearing plants. Bunches of orange-yellow, long-lasting berries that make novel house decorations for winter. **Each 60c, postpaid.**

CLEMATIS JACKMANI. The most popular Clematis of all. Large 4-petal blooms of deep velvety purple. Splendid for your porch trellis. **Each \$1.00, postpaid.**

SCARLET TRUMPET HONEYSUCKLE. Outstanding for its many brilliant scarlet-red, trumpet-shaped flowers and red berries. **Each 50c, postpaid.**

SILVER LACE VINE (China Fleecevine). Grows so rapidly it will cover large areas the first season. In late summer it is completely covered with masses of foamy white flowers. **Each 75c, postpaid.**

PURPLE WISTERIA. This Wisteria will bloom because we grew it from a selected strain of blooming plants. Long drooping clusters of fragrant purple flowers in spring. **Each 60c, postpaid.**

CHINESE ELM

Windbreaks

A windbreak is a good investment. Planted around your home and farm buildings it will keep you warmer in winter and cooler in summer, besides improving the appearance of your grounds. Chinese Elm is the fastest growing, most drought-resistant and economical tree for windbreaks. For hedges, screens, windbreaks, shelterbelts and woodlots, plant Chinese Elm for quick results.

	12	25	50	100
9-12 in., postpaid ..	\$0.35	\$0.50	\$0.85	\$1.25
12-18 in., postpaid ..	.50	.75	1.25	2.00
18-24 in., postpaid ..	.75	1.19	2.00	3.00
				500
9-12 in., not postpaid ..				\$ 5.00
12-18 in., not postpaid ..				8.00
18-24 in., not postpaid ..				12.00



Clematis,
Jackmani

GUARANTEE

We guarantee our nursery stock to reach you in good live growing condition. If it does not, return it to us at once and we will replace it free or refund your money.

We guarantee that our stock is true-to-name and to be in every way just as represented. If it proves otherwise, it will, upon proper proof, be replaced free or we will refund the amount you paid us for it.

If any nursery stock that we ship you, after proper planting and care, fails to grow, we will replace it at one-half price, provided you write us not later than July 1, 1946, sending a copy of your order accompanied by one-half the original purchase price.

Please feel free to write us at any time about your planting problems or for advice on what, when and how to plant. We will be glad to hear from you.

THE WILLIS NURSERIES.

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Hardy HEDGE PLANTS

HARDY AMUR PRIVET. This is the most widely planted hardy hedge in the central states. Can be sheared to make a dense hedge any height desired.

SPIREA VAN HOUTTEI. For privacy and dignity without too much formality, plant a hedge of Spirea Van Houttei (Bridal Wreath). It will be a gorgeous sight in the spring when the myriads of flowers cascade over it from top to bottom.

Postpaid prices on Privet and Spirea Hedge: 12 to 18 inches, 10 for \$1.50; 25 for \$3.75; 100 for \$12.00.

Amur River Privet



GOLDFLAME HONEYSUCKLE (Trade Mark)

Our own introduction. The best hardy everblooming plant. Starts to flower the first season, and blooms continuously from spring until hard frost. Large trumpet-shaped flowers, bright flaming red outside, yellow inside. Delightfully fragrant, especially after nightfall. Hardy in all parts of the country and can be used as a shrub, vine, or ground cover. Large, field-grown plants, each \$1.00; 2 for \$1.75.



ROSE-ACACIA

(Moss Locust)

Imagine a shrub covered with large pink Sweet Pea blossoms and you have a good picture of the Rose Acacia. The flowers appear in the spring before the leaves are fully developed so they are especially showy. Oftentimes this shrub will bloom again during the summer and fall. We offer a superior grafted strain with extra large flowers. 18 to 24 inches, each 75c; 3 for \$2.19, postpaid. 12 to 18 inches, each 50c; 3 for \$1.39, postpaid.



BUTTERFLY BUSHES

Floralart (left)
Dubonnet (center)
Charming (right)

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Butterfly Bushes

The three best Summer Lilacs.

Fragrant and Everblooming. A source of cut flowers all summer. Attract butterflies by the hundreds.

FLORALART (Trade Mark). The New Summer Lilac. (A Willis introduction). Clear rose-purple flower sprays often a foot or more in length. Flowers open over the entire spike at the same time. Begins blooming the first season and flowers constantly from summer to late fall.

CHARMING. The only true pink Butterfly Bush. Extra long graceful flower spikes appear early in the summer and new flowers are produced until frost.

DUBONNET. Rich reddish-purple sprays of flowers on a strong growing shrub. Ideal for garden decoration or for cutting. Blooms freely from midsummer to frost.

Postpaid prices: Your choice, each 65c; 3 for \$1.85.

French Hybrid Lilacs

No shrub is more definitely a part of the American scene than the Lilac. The site of many an old settler's home is marked by Lilac bushes long after the last vestige of the home itself has disappeared. Although they are direct descendants of the Lilacs the pioneers brought with them, the Hybrids we offer here have little in common with their ancestors except the ability to grow, thrive and survive! Here is a collection of five of the finest Hybrid Lilacs chosen for your enjoyment. Large flowers, intriguing colors, heavy fragrance!

CHARLES X (Single). Bluish violet-red, good cut flower.

MARIE LEGRAYE (Single). Large pure creamy white.

PRES. GREVY (Double). Clear soft delicate blue.

WM. ROBINSON (Double). Beautiful red-dish-purple.

BELLE DE NANCY (Double). Most beautiful pink, large.

Postpaid prices, your choice. Big, 3-year bushes, 2 to 3 feet. Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.15.



MOCK ORANGE (Syringa)

In spring the large single white flowers of this shrub fill the air with their delightful perfume.



PINK WEIGELA

Large trumpet-shaped flowers, bright pink and borne in large numbers.



CHINESE LILAC

This purple Lilac rarely fails to bloom, oftentimes producing flowers the first year. Frequently blooms again in the fall.



TAMARIX HISPIDA

By far the best Tamarix. Feathery silvery blue foliage; blooms nearly all summer with large spikes of deep pink flowers.



PINK BUSH HONEYSUCKLE

An abundance of showy pink flowers in spring followed by red berries. A vigorous shrub useful for screens and borders.

← SPIREA DWARF RED

Clusters of red flowers all summer. Self-edging, semi-dwarf shrub, very easy to grow. Plant freely for lasting satisfaction.

← FORSYTHIA (Golden Bell)

The showiest and earliest shrub to bloom; a real harbinger of spring. Flowers are bright yellow and appear before the leaves.

POSTPAID PRICES On All Shrubs on This Page				
Your Choice—Alike or Assorted				
2 and 3-year	Each	3	6	12
Field-grown	\$0.40	\$1.10	\$2.10	\$3.95
12 to 18 inches	.50	1.39	2.59	4.89
18 to 24 inches				

→ FLOWERING QUINCE (Fire Bush)

Great quantities of scarlet flowers appear very early in the spring. The fragrant quinces which ripen in the fall, make a delicious jelly or are fine for flavoring preserves.





Delphinium



PENSTEMON, Garnet (Beard Tongue)

Brilliant, new, hardy perennial that will give you cut flowers from June until hard frost. Large trumpet-shaped flowers of deep garnet-red, spreading habit and healthy foliage. 50c each, 3 for \$1.25, postpaid.

Delphiniums

Glorious Pacific Hybrids

The very finest strain of the newer Delphiniums. Superb colors ranging from pure white through blues, purples, violets, lavenders and orchid-pink. Under favorable conditions will grow 4 to 6 feet high with flower stalks 2 or 3 feet long. Sold only in mixed shades. Each 39c; 3 for \$1.00, postpaid.

LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY

Fragrant waxy white bells hanging gracefully from strong stems. An old-time favorite. Prefers moist shady spots. Clumps of 5 pips, each, 30c; 4 for \$1.00, postpaid.

REGAL LILY

Large, fragrant, snowy white trumpets, tinged with pink on the outside and lined with gold. Blooms in June and July. Blooming-size bulbs, each 30c; 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.19, postpaid.



PEONIES

KARL ROSENFELD. Large brilliant crimson blooms produced freely early in the season.

EDULIS SUPERBA. Vivid glowing pink, fragrant double flowers. Early.

FESTIVA MAXIMA. Large full double blooms; pure white with an occasional carmine spot.

FELIX CROUSSE.

Considered by many the best red in cultivation. Mid-season.

Your Choice: Each 49c; 4 for \$1.75, postpaid.

Old-Fashioned Bleeding Heart

An old favorite. Heart-shaped pink flowers borne on graceful drooping stems in April-May. Large roots, each 60c; 2 for \$1.00, postpaid.



Phlox, Dixie

PHLOX

DIXIE. If you live in the south and want to grow Phlox, Dixie is "made to order" for you. It will withstand high temperatures and even thrives in dry weather. Dixie is a tall vigorous grower with large flower heads and foliage remarkably free from disease, the healthiest foliage in fact of any variety we know. The color is bright orchid-pink, very showy. Our own introduction.

LILLIAN. Extra large flower, early, continuous bloomer. Exquisite cameo-pink with a faint tinge of blue in center.

BRIDESMAID. Pure white with large carmine eye. Compact heads. One of the best whites.

CHAMPS ELYSEE. Brilliant crimson-purple, large heads.

R. P. STRUTHERS. Large, compact heads; rosy carmine with red eye.

THOR. Deep salmon-pink, tall, strong grower.

BEACON. Brilliant cherry-red flower heads. A tall, erect growing plant.

Your Choice of Phlox: Each 35c; 5 for \$1.49, postpaid

Mallow Marvels



Mallow Marvels

These hardy, giant-flowered plants are among the showiest of all flowers. They grow four to five feet high in one season and produce a myriad of flowers in July and August. The flowers will often measure 8 to 9 inches across, as large as a dinner plate. Separate colors: Red, pink, white. State color wanted. Each 29c; 4 for \$1.00, postpaid.

Willis EVERGREENS

THE ARISTOCRATIC TREES

Every One a Specimen

ALL SPECIMEN EVERGREENS ARE INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED

Each tree is carefully dug to preserve the root system intact. Then the roots are packed in moist moss and wrapped in heavy waterproof paper. Packed in this manner they can be shipped long distances and remain in good condition for a long time.

Balled and Burlapped Evergreens

If you prefer to have your trees dug with a ball of earth wrapped in burlap, add \$1.00 per tree extra.

IRISH JUNIPER

Here is the Evergreen you have been looking for. Holds its formal shape without shearing. The branches grow straight up so that the tree is a slender column with almost parallel sides. The attractive blue-green color of the foliage persists winter and summer. Excellent for planting on each side of the doorstep or at the corners of the house. Also popular for cemetery planting because it takes little room on the ground and does not get too tall.

	Each	2
2 to 3 feet	\$1.25	\$2.25
3 to 4 feet	1.65	3.00

EXCELSA STRICTA JUNIPER (Spiny Greek J.)

Sturdy low-growing compact tree with rich blue-green foliage. Retains its shape with very little trimming. Excellent for doorstep planting in back of Pfitzers Juniper. 12 to 15 inches, each \$1.00; 2 for \$1.85. 15 to 18 inches, each \$1.50; 2 for \$2.75.

PFITZER'S JUNIPER. By far the most popular low-growing, spreading evergreen. Attractive blue-green foliage. Grows rapidly and does well in sun or shade. 15 to 18 inches, each \$1.25; 2 for \$2.35. 18 to 24 inches, each \$1.75; 2 for \$3.25. 2 to 2½ feet, each \$2.50; 2 for \$4.75.

SILVER CEDAR. The silvery blue foliage makes an interesting contrast with the dark green of other Evergreens. 18 to 24 inches, each \$1.25; 2 for \$2.35. 2 to 3 feet, each \$1.75; 2 for \$3.25. 3 to 4 feet, each \$2.50; 2 for \$4.75.

EVERGREEN

Windbreaks - Shelterbelts Screens - Hedges

Stay green the year 'round. Give the maximum protection and look the best at all times.

CHINESE ARBOR-VITAE. (See description above).

ALL FIELD-GROWN TRANSPLANTS

POSTPAID	Each	12	25	100
6 to 12 in.	\$0.30	\$3.35	\$6.50	\$20.00
12 to 18 in.	.45	4.95	9.50	30.00
NOT POSTPAID	Each	12	25	
18 to 24 in.	\$0.85	\$9.50	\$18.75	
2 to 3 ft.	1.15	12.95	25.00	
3 to 4 ft.	1.65	18.95	37.50	

For foundation and doorway plantings and lawn specimens, there is nothing better than Evergreens. They will add dignity and richness to your home grounds. In winter when the landscape is bleak and dreary their fresh green color will bring you warmth and cheer.

When you buy WILLIS EVERGREENS you get specimen trees. Every tree in our nursery is given individual attention by expert growers.

BERCKMANN'S GOLDEN ARBOR-VITAE. Foliage similar to Chinese Arbor-Vitae but golden in summer and bronze in winter. This semi-dwarf tree grows in a broad oval and requires practically no trimming. Adds a cheerful spot of color to the landscape.

	Each	2
15 to 18 inches	\$1.00	\$1.85
18 to 24 inches	1.50	2.75
2 to 2½ feet	2.00	3.75

CHINESE ARBOR-VITAE. Flat aromatic foliage, grows very rapidly, heat and drought do not discourage it, and you can shear it any shape you choose. Splendid for hedges, too.

	Each	2
2 to 3 feet	\$1.25	\$2.35
3 to 4 feet	1.75	3.25

EXCELSA ARBOR-VITAE. Selected strain of compact Chinese Arbor-Vitae, with dark green foliage and this color is retained all winter. Requires no trimming. 2 to 3 feet, each \$1.75; 2 for \$3.25

ALL SPECIMEN EVERGREENS
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Spiny Greek Juniper



Berckman's Golden Arbor-Vitae



Silver Cedar



Pfitzer Juniper

Modern Fruit Garden

SPECIAL No. 7

5 THORNLESS BOYSENBERRIES
3 MacDONALD RHUBARB
1 GOLDEN MUSCAT GRAPE
1 RED LAKE CURRANT

All
For

\$3⁹⁸

Postpaid

RED LAKE CURRANT - *New*

A great improvement over the older kinds. The berries are large, clear red and of superior quality. Long, well filled clusters make them easy to pick. Hardy and very productive. **Each 59c; 5 for \$2.50, postpaid.** See page 8 for restrictions on currant shipments.

The New GOLDEN MUSCAT GRAPE

Now you can grow Grapes like those that come from California. Golden Muscat is really a cross between the California Muscat and a hardy northern variety. The fruit is large, golden yellow, high quality, sweet and meaty, with the characteristic Muscat aroma. For home use and roadside market it is one of the best. The handsomest and best flavored Grape grown in eastern America. Supply extremely limited and because we want as many of our customers as possible to enjoy them, we must place a limit of one to a customer. Please do not order more. **\$1.00 each, postpaid.** Limit, one to a customer.

Sensational THORNLESS BOYSENBERRY

Probably the biggest berry ever developed. Imagine berries 1½ to 2 inches long, so large that 20 make a pint, and are so productive that 100 plants produce 50 gallons of fruit the second summer. That is the record of Boysenberry. The beautiful wine-red fruit combines the delicious flavors of Loganberry, Blackberry and Raspberry, of which it is a cross. No new fruit in many years has caused such a sensation as Boysenberry. In addition to all these remarkable qualities, the plants we offer here have **NO THORNS.** **3 for 69c; 5 for \$1.49; 10 for \$2.69; 25 for \$5.65, postpaid.**

MacDONALD RED RHUBARB

MacDonald represents the "latest model" in Rhubarb. You can cut stalks from it a year sooner than from the old style green stalked varieties. MacDonald has a large, highly colored red stalk and is tender, succulent and productive. The quality is the best, making it valuable for pies and desserts. **Each 60c; 3 for \$1.69; 10 for \$5.50, postpaid.**



Red Lake Currant



Thornless
Boysenberry

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MacDonald Red Rhubarb



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